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RE: DOCKET NO. 98N-1265

To the FDA:

I send this letter as a consumer of health care services to register my concern and disapproval of the Memorandum of Understanding as published by the FDA on January 21, 1999.

In its present form, the MOU, as well as the Compounding Section 503A of the Modernization Act, severely restricts the rights of the physicians and patients to obtain healthcare products from the provider of their choice. It also infringes on the rights of compounding pharmacists to serve the public's medical needs.

As a healthcare consumer there should be no restrictions to the delivery of compounded medication prescribed for me, regardless of where I live or travel.

The MOU must be amended!!!

The FDA is an agency of the U.S. Government that purports to be the "watchdog" for consumer safety. THIS IS NOT A SAFETY ISSUE!! As a governmental agency, the FDA also has a responsibility to be accountable to the people. Once again, the MOU must be amended!!

Comments:

Please fight this legislation. I have been using a specialty pharmacy for years and it has given me the solution to my medical needs. The regular pharmacies do not always give the specific compounds many of us need. I beg you to listen, and amend this.

Signed:

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P.S. I'm very happy w/ an agency like FDA to help protect, but in this case this MOU will not help the public, but hinder individualized care.

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